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TAGS: SREF, UNHCR, TH

SUBJECT: UNHCR ASSISTANCE TO INDOCHINESE REFUGEES IN  
THAILAND

REF: (A) BANGKOK 17064; (B) CINCPAC 072057Z AUG 75

1. AS PART OF USG'S FUTURE CONTRIBUTION TO UNHCR PROGRAM

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FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE INDOCHINESE REFUGEES IN THAILAND

WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE AVAILABLE NOW 2086.2 METRIC TONS OF A GLUTINOUS TYPE OF U.S. OWNED RICE WHICH IS CURRENTLY WAREHOUSED IN THAILAND. GLUTINOUS TYPE IS KIND CONSUMED BY LAO AND WE ESTIMATE THAT AMOUNT AVAILABLE WOULD FEED

40,000 PEOPLE FOR 3 MONTHS AT 500 GRAMS PER DAY. ESTIMATED

VALUE TO USG IS APPROXIMATELY 371,000 DOLS. RICE IS OWNED BY A U.S. ACCOUNT WHICH IS NOT CONNNECTED WITH ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES AND THEREFORE MUST BE PURCHASED WITH FUNDS EARMARKED FOR REFUGEE PURPOSES TO REIMBURSE ORIGINAL PURCHASING ACCOUNT.

2. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ADVANTAGES TO THIS OFFER WHICH WE HOPE UNHCR WILL CONSIDER SERIOUSLY. RICE IS ALREADY IN THAILAND AND AVAILABLE FOR QUICK DISTRIBUTION. PURCHASE OF

EQUIVALENT AMOUNT ELSEWHERE WOULD INVOLVE HIGHER COSTS INCLUDING SHIPPING CHARGE. UNHCR REPS THAILAND AND EMBASSY BANGKOK COULD WORK OUT TRANSFER ARRANGEMENT IN SHORT ORDER.

3. U.S. MISSION, GENEVA SHOULD APPROACH UNHCR AND MAKE AVAILABLE THE DETAILS OF THIS PROPOSAL AND REPORT THE REACTION. UNHCR SHOULD MOREOVER BE URGED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE OFFER WHICH COULD ACCELERATE ITS EFFORTS TO MEET URGENT NEEDS OF THE LAO REFUGEES. INGERSOLL

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